House Resolution No. 1975

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives realize that the rank of Eagle Scout is a performance-based achievement, the proud standards of which have been well maintained for many years; and

Whereas, Ryan Christopher Lewis of Ozark, Missouri, will receive the prestigious rank of Eagle Scout during a Court of Honor ceremony to be held on April 19, 2003, at the First Baptist Church of Ozark; and

Whereas, Ryan, a member of Boy Scout Troop 201, successfully met the requirements to attain Eagle status by completing his Eagle project which involved collecting more than 120 city, state, P.O.W., and United States flags and retiring them in a flag-burning ceremony; and

Whereas, during his twelve years in Scouting, Ryan mastered several challenging and diverse skills to earn forty-eight merit badges, the Mile Swim award, BSA Lifeguard certification, the World Conservation Award, and Brotherhood membership in the Order of the Arrow, where he has served as Chapter Chief; and

Whereas, Ryan demonstrated his capability and willingness to exert leadership by fulfilling the duties and responsibilities of Assistant Patrol Leader, Senior Patrol Leader, Junior Scoutmaster, Quartermaster, Den Chief, and Assistant Scout Leader; and

Whereas, the son of David and Betty Lewis, Ryan developed immense personal growth and fitness by participating in the many assorted activities the Boy Scouts offers, some of which include taking part in more than twelve summer camps, five back-packing trips, whitewater rafting and kayaking, and advanced rock-climbing; and

Whereas, Ryan's attainment of the Eagle rank will be recognized at all levels of our society as being a great achievement that required considerable dedication and effort:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Ryan Lewis for the steadfast determination he displayed in his pursuit to attain the rank of Eagle and in wishing him continued success in all future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Eagle Scout Ryan Christopher Lewis.

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1975, adopted April 17, 2003.